

- The Salk Institute is a designated local historic site, and the entire site, 27 acres, was deemed eligible by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.
- The Salk Institute is a recognized landmark of architectural significance by such organizations and Institutions as the American Institute of Architects (AIA), the Getty Conservation Institute, Docomomo, and the World Monuments Fund.
- The 2008 approval for the Torrey Pines building was approximately 14 years ago and was based on exceedingly simple design drawings.
- The 2008 approval forcefully stated that the proposed development offered only “minimum mitigation” for the historically designated Salk Institute. 14 years is sufficient time for Salk and its architects to provide a design that enhances the original design intent and does more than meet “minimum mitigation.”
- The 2022 proposed design changes (reduction in glazing, interior bridge crossing) create an annoying intrusion into the primary design feature of the linear experience and do not meet the original design intent of the Louis Kahn/Dr. Jonas Salk design.
- The design changes of the proposed Torrey Building are of such significant impact that a review by the Historic Resources Design Assistance Committee and the full Historic Resources Board must be required for this important historically designated site.

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